

SWEET SPRINGS.

A Brief Review of the Advantages to be Gained by Patronizing this Resort.

Its Mineral Waters—The Amusements to be Found—The Grand Opening.

As the season approaches for the usual summer outing, the perplexing question of where to go is of much importance. Certainly it requires judgment to decide, inasmuch as hundreds of resorts advertise themselves as possessing the very best facilities for the improvement of the health as well as the many attractions which to a majority of the guests are indispensable adjuncts. That these advertisements can not always be depended upon there is no question, and that many have been grievously disappointed their own testimony will prove. It is plain, then, that an error in selecting a place which offers the best inducements, that best appeals to those desiring for a time to leave their homes, is something not easy to overcome and should be avoided if possible.

Missouri especially offers attractions to the health seeker, and her resorts are of a nature to restore this, the best gift of man, rather than to make a senseless and foolish display of the frivolities which are carried to such an extent in the east, that after a season or two spent there the guest finds himself or herself completely exhausted—in health, if not in purse. This being the case, it would appear to the most careless that it is better to patronize resorts which are to be relied upon and which can be honestly recommended. Such a place is

"SWEET SPRINGS,"

located in Saline county on the Lexington branch of the Missouri Pacific railway, one mile from Browns ville, the nearest station. The spring from which the place takes its name is never failing, as clear as crystal to the eye, and slightly sweet to the taste. It is covered by a beautiful little pavilion and is noted for curing dyspepsia, kidney and bladder diseases, including diabetes and Bright's disease, diarrhoea of children and cholera infantum, all nervous diseases of women. The "Akeson spring," which is strongly medicinal in taste, contains both salt and sulphur, and is almost phenomenal in its cure of liver and kindred complaints. There are also black and white sulphur springs, whose curative properties are most excellent. The Sweet Springs and Akeson waters are of course better in their active principle when perfectly fresh, but as over a million gallons of water was shipped last year it can safely be said that their medicinal properties were not destroyed by having them slightly stale. The hotel proper is a beautiful building, containing over two hundred well ventilated rooms, and in addition there are numberless small and cosy cottages, which can be rented at any time after May 15th. The

HOTEL MANAGEMENT

has been successfully conducted for the past three seasons by Col. J. W. Hall, a genial gentleman who understands his business thoroughly and knows just what means to employ to make his guests happy and comfortable. Complaints, if any arise—and among such a number of guests the fault finder is never missed—are kindly and patiently listened to and adjusted and in point of fact no attention, no matter how small, is neglected. As a caterer to the keen appetites, engendered by the use of the waters, Col. Hall is an unqualified success and the kitchen's chef can always have access to a store room filled with the products of both home and foreign markets. Every detail of the dining-room is carefully looked after by the manager, also, and he employs none but the best of table waiters. The very

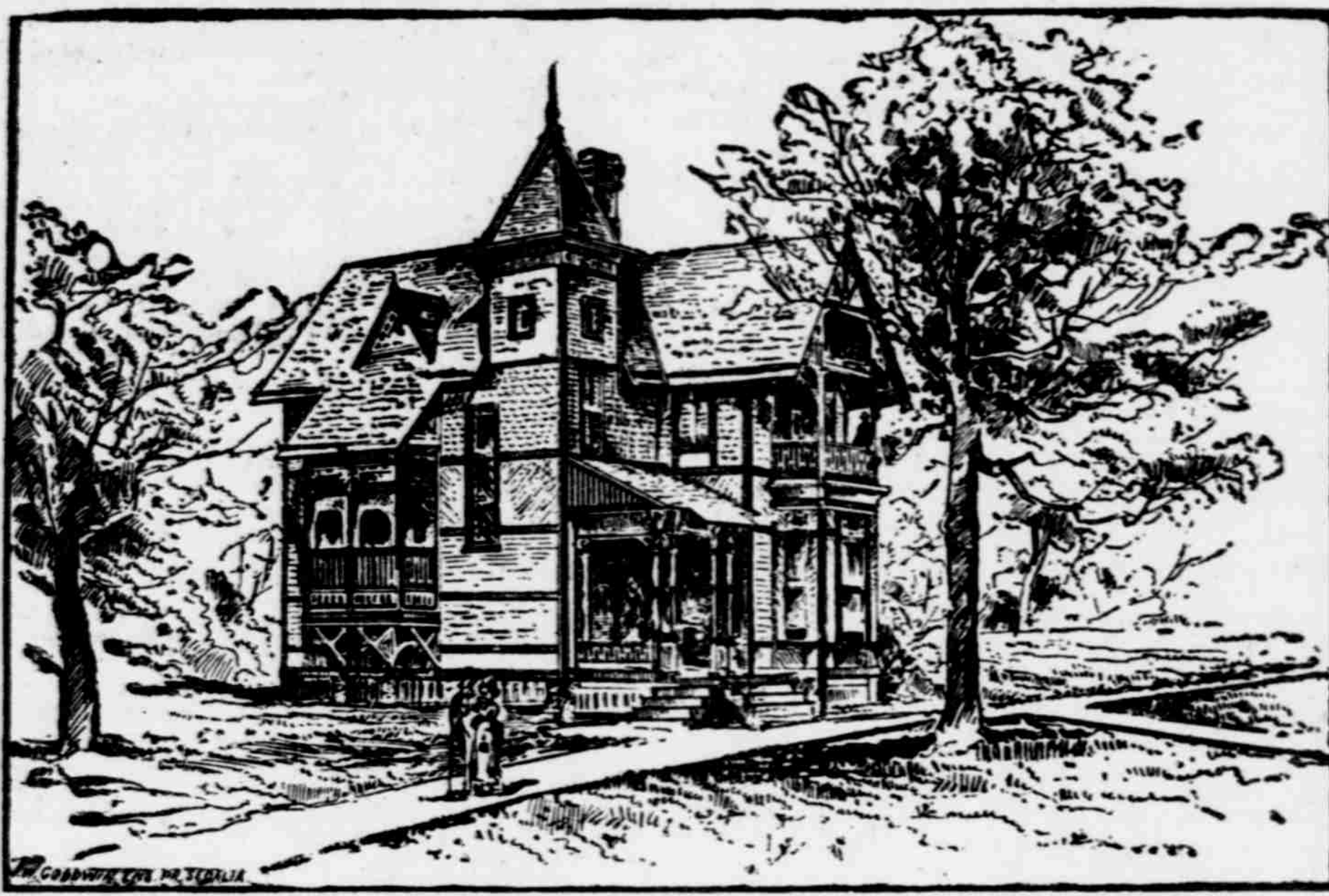
BEAUTIFUL GROUNDS

surrounding the hotel comprises thirty acres, are beautifully laid out with walks and drives and rustic bridges and as they are dotted closely with trees of living green, no better place can be found for either picnicking or merely rambling.

As the hotel is situated at an elevation of about 1,200 feet above the level of the sea and without stagnant water or swamps to produce malaria, chills and fever are "banned and barred, forbidden fare." From this cause too, there is an absence of that pest, which Thucydides probably meant when he spoke of the "long billed torment of mankind," mosquitoes and which are particularly calculated to make the summer visitor "mad through all his being." The nights too are free from heat and the atmosphere seems to have passed over a cooling sea, so fresh and pleasant it is, even during the warmest part of the season. Among the

AMUSEMENTS.

Visitors will find billiard tables, bowling alleys, shooting gallery, row boat on Black River, an extensive ball room and a band of music to af-



Private Cottage of Dr. S. S. Laws, President Missouri State University, Columbia.

ford diversion. Messrs. Robertson Bros. & Barnhill, of Marshall, have a livery stable thoroughly equipped with pleasure vehicles and saddle horses for both ladies and gentlemen, and adjoining on the south are the grounds of the Sweet Springs District Fair association, containing a good half-mile track, where races are frequently held during the summer. The Western Union telegraph have an office at the hotel.

As a place for conventions, year by year the fame of the springs grows. For several years the sessions of the state dental, state teachers', state bar, judiciary and state pharmaceutical associations have met there, and in addition this year, both democratic and republican state conventions, and a week's encampment of the state militia will be there, and also in all probability the Select Knights A. O. U. W. Sam Jones is expected for a week's visit, and there will be local fairs etc.

THE COTTAGES

are handsomely constructed and many of them finished in elegance. Among those owning private cottages may be mentioned Senator George G. Vest, Mr. John Campbell, Kansas City; John S. Sullivan, Jefferson City; Col. E. C. Moore, Columbia, Mo.; Judge James S. Lindley, St. Louis; Dr. M. Munford, prop. Kansas City Times; Col. Lon V. Stephens, Booneville, Mo.; Col. Vincent Marmaduke, St. Louis; Dr. S. S. Laws, president Missouri State university; Messrs. Wm. F. and F. G. Neidringhaus, St. Louis; Judge J. W. Henry, supreme court of Missouri.

The private cottages are built in modern styles of architecture, including the Queen Anne, Doric, Corinthian, etc. One of the handsomest of the cottages, although not the largest, is that of Dr. Laws, and it will only require a glance at the accompanying engraving to perceive that everything connected with it is in the very best of taste.

The Neidringhaus cottage is very large and elegantly fitted up, as is that of Judge Lindley of St. Louis. It is indeed a pleasant sight to see the verandas of these pretty cottages occupied by handsomely attired people in the evenings, and as the hotel guests spend delightful hours visiting with the cottage residents, they are always more or less filled. One of the most enjoyable factors of Sweet Springs, is the unconventionality and freedom from the "Miss Nancy" sort of decorum. There is of course no rudeness among the well-bred guests, but there is a liberty which

PERMITS FRIENDLY CHAT

in the parlors, in the dining room, at the springs, on the stairs, or in truth any place. If the society belle wishes to attire herself in new and ravishing styles of purple and fine linen every day, no influence is brought to bear to prevent her from so doing, and there are always plenty of admirers, but on the other hand, plain people, who care more for rest and wrappers, than a display of clothes, can always feel free to carry out their desire. Taken from almost any standpoint, then, it may readily be seen that as a resort, Sweet Springs is far ahead of the ordinary and will well repay a visit, whether brief or protracted.

NOTES.

—Judge Henry's cottage is fast approaching completion.

—The State Teachers' association will be in convention here, June, 22nd, 23rd, and 24th.

—Sam Jones is coming and Fisher is memorizing the Lord's prayer.

—Geo. B. Lord, mayor of Olathe, Kansas, is here accompanied by his wife.

—Sam Jones temperance campmeeting will open here July 21, and last one week.

The State Dental Association will

meet July 6th and continue in session two days.

—Mrs. H. C. Litchfield, of Kansas City, is spending a few days at Sweet Springs.

—The State Bar association will meet here July 1st and continue in session two days.

—The State Druggists' association will meet here June 15th, remaining in session three days.

—A school of science and pedagogies will hold a term here of five weeks, commencing June 20th.

—L. C. Nelson, a banker of St. Louis, is contemplating the erection of a cottage here at an early date.

—Lon V. Stephens' cottage has the foundation laid and the carpenters are busily engaged on the structure.

Sweet Springs hopes to secure the democratic state convention and it will be a wise ordering if it succeeds.

—J. A. Fisher, the hotel clerk is here accompanied by his wife. Fisher is in charge of the business and as landlord and clerk he is a great success.

On July 12 the state military encampment will go as they please for one week at the springs. They will tent and it is expected that they will be about 1,200 strong. Gov. Marmaduke will be in command.

Two engineering classes are here comprising sixteen students and two professors from Washington university, St. Louis. They are a fine body of young men, both physically and mentally. The teachers keep them so hard at work that they have no time to luxuriate in "mashes" if they have a disposition to that end.

—Governor Marmaduke arrived here Friday evening and returned last night. On Friday evening he met and was introduced to the young men engaged in engineering. After the formalities of an introduction he gave the young gentlemen a little chat about their studies etc. Before the young men retired they gave three rousing cheers for Missouri's governor.

PROMINENT MERCHANTS.

Two Very Prominent Business Men Caught in Very Unenviable Positions.

A day or two since a certain party doing business in this city was informed that he was about to be sued by a colored woman, who had the same day been fined in the police court for keeping a bawdy house, for a board bill due her from a colored prostitute, also a victim to the vigilance of the cops. The "well known business man" had guaranteed the payment of the bill, amounting to \$20, but had failed to meet his obligation promptly. Being rendered a little hard up by the assessment and collection of the fine mentioned, the woman determined to bring her delinquent creditor to terms through the medium of the courts. Rather than appear as the defendant in a suit of this nature, the merchant settled with the landlady. In order to save his business reputation, the kind hearted reporter agreed to suppress the name of the imprudent Lothario.

And now comes a well-known grocery merchant pleading that the newspapers will not give him away. He turned a deaf ear to the appeal of Miss Della Revels, who was incarcerated in the calaboose on the charge of lewd conduct, and who addressed him a pathetic little note, begging him to come to her assistance. The hard hearted groceryman scorned the fair Della's urgent little missive, and as a result she filed an information in the police court, charging her faithless admirer with associating with prostitutes. He also did not care to make an elaborate defense in a case of this kind, and as the best way out of the embarrassing dilemma in which he found himself, entered a plea of guilty and paid a fine of \$10. His name as recorded in the police proceedings is not exactly the same which appears on the sign in front of his store.

Celebrated Cancer Doctor.

Mrs. Dr. Goodwin, the celebrated cancer doctor, has opened an infirmary and home in Sedalia, where she is prepared to treat all cancers without the knife or caustic. All who are suffering with this disease will do well to give her a call. She also treats all chronic diseases successfully. Persons can come to the infirmary and stay for treatment, at 503 West Third street Examination free. 2-24dim.

MAUPIN'S MISFORTUNE.

An Employee of the Farmers' Mills Meets With a Serious and Almost Fatal Accident.

Yesterday morning Bas Maupin, one of the employees at Zimmerman & Harter's Farmers' mills, on West Main street, met with a painful and well nigh fatal accident. He was engaged in unloading a car of coal, and it was found necessary to drop the car down a short distance on the side track at a convenient place to unload. The car was accordingly started, but the brake being out of order, Maupin being unable to stop the car at the desired point, resorted to a crow bar, but while attempting to stop the car he missed his footing and fell. He was thrown across the track and only the slow rate of speed at which the car was moving prevented him from being horribly mangled. As it was, the crowbar fell across his right leg and was run over by one of the wheels of the cars, pinning the unfortunate man to the track and badly lacerating and bruising his leg. The left leg also came in contact with one of the wheels, but the car was moving so slowly that no serious damage was done, the obstruction bringing the car to a stop.

Mr. Maupin, who is a nephew by marriage of Mr. Harter, of the firm of Zimmerman & Harter, was removed to his home and medical aid summoned. He will probably be confined to his room for some days to come.

A FATAL ACCIDENT.

Mrs. N. J. Alderman, Ionia City, Killed Yesterday Afternoon by a Runaway Team.

About 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Mrs. N. J. Alderman, a lady 54 years of age, met with a violent death at McGhee's Chapel, about seven miles southwest of this city on her way to her home at Ionia City. She was riding in a farm wagon, accompanied by a lady friend and several small children, the team being driven by a small boy. When at the point named the horses became frightened at a piece of paper in the road, and started off at a furious rate of speed, the boy being unable to control them. Mrs. Alderman, thoroughly terrified, attempted to jump from the wagon. She caught her arm in the brake rod and was dragged a distance of a quarter of a mile. When opposite the residence of Mr. Henry Hill, the frightened horses were checked and Mrs. Alderman was picked up and conveyed into the house in a dying condition. She breathed her last a few minutes after entering the house.

The lady accompanying Mrs. Alderman, had one of her arms quite severely bruised. The children were uninjured.

Not Properly Encouraged.

New York Tribune.

A Mississippi girl writes to the Atlanta Constitution that she has chosen authorship for her vocation, that her books will be "made of sunshine and shadow, of beauty, grandeur and sublimity," and that she "will write short stories sometimes," price forty dollars. We regret to be compelled to add that The Constitution does not extend to her that generous encouragement with which it is accustomed to endow Southern institutions. It does indeed invite her with characteristic ardor and grace of language to "go ahead" along the path which she has marked out for her genius. But it declines to purchase any of her manuscripts with the comparatively unsympathetic remark that it is already stocked up with all the forty-dollar stories that it can use this year. If the next male friend of the young lady does not call out the Editor of The Constitution then Mississippi must have lost its grip on chivalry.

Weekly Bazoo, \$1 per year.

CASHED HIS CHECKS

And Now Waiting Patiently to be "Called" to the Unknown Beyond.

Free London, a Well-Known Sporting Man, Has Made His Farewell "Deal."

At Death's Door With Consumption, He is Prepared for the "Show Down."

A Chat With, and Sketch of, a Gambler Who Never Went Back on the Poor.

Free London, a sporting man who is well and favorably known from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the lakes to the gulf, is lying at death's door at No. 490 West Third street, and the announcement of his demise at any hour need not occasion the least surprise. Never stout and rugged, many months of suffering with that always fatal disease, consumption, has left him but a wreck of his former self, and when seen last evening by a reporter of the Bazoo he appeared but little else than a living skeleton. His limbs are nothing but skin and bones, and so weak is he that the service of an assistant is required in order that he may turn in his bed. He breathes with the greatest difficulty at intervals, and when seized with an occasional coughing spell it appears to a visitor that the end has arrived.

"How are you feeling this evening, Free?" asked the Bazoo missionary.

"Oh, I'm getting weaker every hour and can't last much longer," was the reply. "I came home to die and the time has about arrived. I have suffered so long and so much that I am ready to go at any moment; in fact, when I go to sleep at night I cannot but hope that I will never wake up."

"You talk of this matter as though you had no fear of death."

"None in the world. I realize that the jig is about up and I congratulate myself that it is so. I have made all the arrangements for my funeral, and the sooner it takes place the better it will suit me. I had Bob Morrow procure me a lot in the cemetery and I will be buried there. I have also made arrangements for my coffin. I did not want anything expensive, nor did I want a pine box, as I chose between the two. If any other unfortunate comes along and dies here, the boys can plant him in the lot with me."

"You have gone about this solemn undertaking in a business-like manner," suggested the reporter.

"Yes; it's as well that way as any other. Everything is paid for, even to the hiring of the carriages, so all the boys will have to do is to climb in."

At this stage of the conversation Free was seized with a violent coughing spell, and at the conclusion he was so weak that he turned partially over and was soon in a doze.

As previously stated, Free London is known throughout the land as a sporting man, and an unusually successful one, too. He was born in Wapello county, Iowa, October 23rd, 1843. He resided with his parents until 11 years old and then proceeded to Illinois, where he grew to manhood and remained until after the war, when he came west. It was in 1867 that he first began his career as a professional gambler, and he has followed it successfully since. He is especially known to the sporting fraternity in the west and south, as these two sections of country have been his particular field, but is also known in the east, although not so extensively.

It was in December, 1871, or January, 1872, that London first came to Sedalia. The town was then on the boom, and it was the paradise of the sports. Such a thing as the Johnson gambling law had never been dreamed of at that time, and almost any kind of a game could be had for the asking. London soon became a favorite with the local sports, and the popularity acquired then has never been lost.

Like all of his class, London drifted hither and thither, winning thousands here and dropping them elsewhere, but fortune favored him to a greater extent than many others, and he was seldom without a stake. In several states and territories he conducted faro banks with varying success, being a prince one day and almost a pauper the next. As a dealer he ranked with the best, and if he ever dealt a crooked game, history does not record it.

Every few months London would return to Sedalia, and a cordial welcome was always extended him—not only by the men with whom he associated, but by all who knew him. His religion consisted wholly of doing unto others as he would be done by, and in this particular his record will compare most favorably with those of

men of whom much more might be expected.

In bestowing charity, the Bazoo does not hesitate to say that, according to his means, Free London has given us as much, if not more than any man in Sedalia. No one in distress ever appealed to him in vain, and those who knew him best say he would at any time divide his last dollar with the needy. He made no boasts of what he did, but rather labored to conceal it from the public. In short, he always endeavored to relieve distress wherever he found it, and many are the poor in Sedalia who have accepted of his bounty, all of whom will read of his present condition with the deepest regret.

During the past fall and winter London began declining rapidly, despite the best of attention. On the 14th of February last he left Sedalia and proceeded to Nebraska, where he has a sister. He hoped the change of climate might prove beneficial, but not so, and he journeyed to Denver, where he has a brother. Before leaving his sister he bade her a last farewell, as he felt satisfied he had seen her for the last time this side of the grave.

The climate of Colorado produced only ill effects, also, and on the advice of his physician he returned to Missouri, but not until the final good-bye had been spoken to his brother. It was May 4th when Free arrived in Sedalia, and there were none who entertained the belief that he would live a week. He occasionally made his appearance on the street, but was soon confined to his room, and for the past few days he has not been able to leave his bed. He receives the best of attention, and his every want is supplied by his numerous friends, someone of whom is constantly at his bedside. At present he has no appetite whatever, and it is a miracle that he has existed through the past week.

London has an aged father residing in Springfield, Ill., but they have not met for the past eighteen months. The old gentleman is almost blind and unable to travel, hence the separation of father and son at this time. Of course the subject of this article has his faults (and who has not?) but the writer is cognizant of scores of noble deeds performed by the man, notwithstanding he has led the life of a professional gambler, and for this reason hopes that his last hours on earth may be filled with content if not happiness.

Horsford's Acid Phosphate.

BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.

Imitations and counterfeits have again appeared. Be sure that the word "Horsford's" is on the wrapper. None are genuine without it.

A Mean Trick.

The friends of C. H. Collins, the ex-manager of the opera house, who have expressed the opinion that the Bazoo dealt harshly with Collins in showing up his true character, may be gratified to learn that one of the last acts of the ex-manager was to "stand off" a poor colored woman whom he owed a small amount for scrubbing the opera house, telling her that he had left the money with a certain business man to pay her. It is needless to add that the aforesaid business man was not entrusted with one cent by Collins with which to pay the latter's debts.

Police Court.

There were but three cases docketed in the police court yesterday morning.

Eli Carter, arrested on the charge of disturbing the peace on the complaint of Robert Farries, was discharged, the prosecuting witness failing to show up.

James Peterson pleaded guilty to the charge of associating with prostitutes and was fined \$10.

George Washington Logan, the coon, mentioned yesterday as making an effort to evade the dog tax law and resisting the marshal who arrested him, was on account of his apparent ignorance let off with a fine of \$2. He did not appreciate this consideration, however, and immediately upon being released proceeded to swear out an information against the city marshal, charging that official with a malicious assault.

—Old-fashioned iron bitters had their day—like the sadder bull kicked, there is no more music in them. Brown's Iron Tonic is on the threshold of the morning. It purifies, reddens and enriches the blood, tones the system, and floods the soul of the former sufferer with melody, and cost only \$1.00. For sale by Mertz & Hale.

Re-Embalmed the Body.

The remains of J. B. Clark, who died a few days ago at Austin, Texas, arrived here yesterday, en route to Illinois for interment, but the body had not been properly embalmed and the stench arising from the casket was sickening. The express company refused to carry the body to its destination until it was re-embalmed, hence the casket was placed in charge of U. P. Hibbs, the undertaker, who soon had the corpse in the proper condition, and it was sent east last night.

Martin Irons' Lecture.

Information was received here yesterday to the effect that on Friday Martin Irons' closed a contract with Manager C. F. Craig for the Gillis opera house, in Kansas City, on Sunday night next, the 13th inst, when he will lecture on "The Strike on the Gould Southwestern System."

Conductors Bulkley, of the Missouri Pacific, and Dean, of the M., K. & T., are considering the advisability of running an excursion train to the mouth of the Kaw on this occasion, but they had not fully decided at a late hour last night.